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**A DAY IN THE COURTS**

February Term of Criminal District Court Convened.

**JUDGE'S CHARGE TO THE GRAND JURY**

Williams Murder Case Set—Proceedings of the Civil District and County Courts—Juries for Week.

The appearance docket will be called this morning at 10 o'clock in the Eleventh district court.

Referee Burnett has called a meeting of the creditors of O. L. Tabor of Bryan at his office in this city February 14.

The February term of the criminal district court convened at 9 a. m., with Judge Gillaspie presiding.

The Grand Jury.

The grand jury is composed of the following well known citizens: C. G. Elliot, foreman; John Clay, Joshua W. Watson, colorado, H. Price, Sam Allen, William E. Humphreys, E. W. Sewall, Joseph E. Meyer, D. C. Green, J. I. Campbell, F. W. Hamilton, J. M. Doerrance.

The judge's charge was brief but pointed. He instructed that all violations of the law be inquired into and that no favoritism be shown in returning indictments. He directed attention to the violation of the gaming laws and said that such machines should be taken on the same plane as other forms of gambling. He also instructed that disorderly houses be looked after.

**Hack Ordinance Case.**

The case of W. T. Smith, convicted of violating the hack ordinance in the recorder's court some time ago, was brought up on appeal. Attorney J. S. Fagin, for the defendant, filed a motion to quash the complaint on the ground that this entire code of ordinances under which he was convicted is void.

The motion sets forth the fact that when the present charter was made a law by the legislature, a provision was attached that compelled the publication of all ordinances, together with the charter within six months. The ordinance was printed on November 1, 1902, but six months from the adoption of the charter, but on the 15th of December the ordinance was not published. The provision making the publication necessary set forth that if the ordinance was not published and printed in book form for the next six months.

The motion was taken under advisement by the court.

**Williams Murder Case.**

The case of the State vs. D. E. Williams and two negro youths charged with the murder of Dr. E. A. De Lincosa, was set for February 18, and a special venire of 200 men ordered.

**Special Judge.**

The three cases against Calvin Clay, charged with cattle theft, are set for today. Hon. S. H. Perryman will preside as special judge. Judge Gillaspie being disqualified.

**Eleventh District Court.**

Hon. Charles E. Allen, judge presiding; H. Albrecht, clerk.

H. Freund vs. Corra B. Foster, debt and divorce; continued generally by agreement.

J. T. D. Wilson vs. Thomas Goggan et al, injunction; continued to make parties.

Mitral Building and Loan Association vs. D. H. Tucker et al, debt and foreclosure; continued for service.

Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railway Company vs. Bernard Holman, trespass; try title and damages; continued generally by agreement.

Cash & Lockel vs. J. L. Williams, debt and foreclosure; continued generally by agreement.

J. R. McDougal vs. Milby & Dow, garnishment; continued generally by agreement.

Planters and Mechanics National Bank vs. T. W. Ford, suit on note; judgment by agreement of the parties that plaintiff take nothing by their suit and that defendant go home with his money.

C. D. Stowell vs. John Trist et al, trespass to try title and damages; continued generally on motion of defendants.

W. Noble et al vs. W. J. Aubertin et al, partition; continued generally by agreement.

Michael J. Woods et al vs. E. W. Cave et al, trespass to try title and damages; continued generally on motion of plaintiff.

Michael J. Woods et al vs. C. P. Emeating et al, trespass to try title; continued generally on motion of plaintiff.

Michael J. Woods vs. H. Waddell, trespass to try title and damages; continued generally by agreement.

Joe Rodgers vs. Texas and New Orleans Railroad Company, damages; continued generally by agreement.

J. M. Prazier vs. City of Houston, collect salary; leave to plaintiff to file first amended petition.

J. T. Mahoney vs. City of Houston, suit on note; same order.

Charles Klock vs. City of Houston, collect salary; same order.

Frank S. Smith vs. City of Houston, collect salary; same order.

George O. Clark vs. City of Houston, collect salary; same order.

Harris County vs. John B. Williams et al, accounting and debt; leave to plaintiff to make James S. Baker, Jr., party defendant and cause continued for that purpose.

Texas and New Orleans Railroad Company vs. J. W. Sam, trespass to try title and damages; continued generally by agreement.

W. B. Slosson vs. Jules Hirsch, damages; cause dismissed in vacation.

Leonard S. D. D. et al vs. E. H. Held, cause of debt; leave to Anderson and Phelps to withdraw their names as attorneys from this case.

Interstate Lumber Company vs. R. J. Perkins et al, debt and receiver; continued generally on motion of plaintiff.

Mary L. Clark et al vs. W. W. Thayer et al, partition; continued by agreement as an application of defendant and set for first Monday day of the April term, 1903.

Ch. Hess vs. S. Miliken, trespass to try title and damages; continued for service.

J. W. Roe vs. Texas and New Orleans Railroad Company, damages; settled and dismissed.

William Lawrence vs. Rena Lawrence, divorce; judgment for plaintiff for divorce.

Fidelity Savings Association vs. J. J. Giddings et al, debt and foreclosure; continued for service.

J. L. Sparks vs. Texas and New Orleans Railroad Company, damages; dismissed for want of prosecution on motion of defendant.

Mitral Building and Loan Association vs. Angeline Williams, debt and foreclosure; continued for service.

Annie Erell vs. Southwest Telegraph and Telephone Company, leave to defend; Howard to have his name stricken from the docket as attorney for the plaintiff.

**United States Courts.**

In Senate. That the residence of G. D. Bruns, bankrupt, be cross-country given as

Trinity, instead of Weimar, where he formerly resided on business.

Referee Burnett has called a meeting of the creditors of O. L. Tabor of Bryan at the United States court room in Houston, February 14. Judge Walter T. Burnett, United States district judge, on January 24 affirmed the referee's adjudication of Mr. Tabor of bankruptcy, and as an appeal has been taken, and the ten days allowed by law for appeal having expired, the referee will administer the estate.

In the case of Ira G. Bond, bankrupt, of Bay City, the referee has called a second meeting of creditors to be held at Bay City on February 12, to hear trustee's application to sell the land belonging to the estate and to declare a dividend. The estate owns a valuable rice farm near Bay City. All the personal property has been sold and the proceeds will be distributed among the creditors.

**County Court.**

(Hon. T. Blake Dupree, judge, presiding; E. F. Dupree, clerk.)

Moore & McManus vs. Cash & Lockel, debt; continued upon ground of surprise.

H. B. & N. E. Davis vs. R. E. Dancy et al, appeal; judgment for plaintiff for \$80.50.

W. C. Read & Co. vs. Kittison, Fitch & Co., debt; defendants' plea to jurisdiction sustained and cause dismissed.

City of Houston vs. Schuler, Achenbach, appeal; continued generally by agreement.

Little E. Dunlavy vs. S. D. Richardson et al, damages; passed for settlement.

Le Cauton Stair Manufacturing Company vs. L. E. S. appeal; continued generally by agreement.

City of Houston vs. Munzshelner, contract and debt; passed for settlement.

H. M. McLeod vs. H. A. Stoddard et al, appeal; continued by operation of law.

**Probate Court.**

(Hon. T. Blake Dupree, judge, presiding; E. F. Dupree, clerk.)

Estate of Mrs. Ann Jordan, deceased; L. R. Bond appointed temporary administrator to bond for value of \$500, approved.

Estate of Courtney C. Maloney, deceased; report of sale of real estate as per decree, and administrator is authorized to execute deed.

Estate of James D. Wilson, deceased; application of Cornelia E. H. and E. Dargan for letters of temporary administration filed.

Estate of Andrew S. Schuler, deceased; bond of Frank Ruckert approved and ordered filed.

Estate of J. T. D. Wilson, deceased; continued until next term of court under writ for error.

Estate of Joseph F. Twenson, deceased; continued until next term for report of commissioner.

Estate of Munger minors; report of sale of lots 6 and 7, block 88, south side Buffalo bayou, for \$4500 approved.

**Criminal District Court.**

(Hon. J. R. F. Gillispie, judge, presiding; Hon. J. R. F. Gillispie, attorney; Oscar Raymond, clerk.)

W. T. Smith, appeal; continued by State.

Dick Gray, appeal; bond \$25.

D. Boone, appeal; nolle.

George Conrad, appeal; continued by State.

W. T. Smith, appeal; passed.

Jim Harris, appeal; set for February 7.

Case set for February 10 to be tried before Hon. Sam B. Hines, special judge.

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Additional cases set for February term:

Ellis Kevette, murder, February 9, and special venire ordered.

D. E. Williams et al, murder, February 18, and special venire 200 men ordered.

Jack Woods et al, murder, February 18, and special venire 200 men ordered.

Jim Carter, rape, February 20; special venire sixty men ordered.

Ed McKimney, alias "Iron Gaul", murder; set for February 19, special venire sixty men ordered.

Petit jury for first week: William E. Roegner, foreman; DeWitt Stegall, Herman Silber, A. Harting, W. L. Foley, John L. Lavy, E. Settegast, H. T. D. Wilson, John Krupp, F. S. Albrecht, W. H. Hines, Walter T. Torrey, Hal Wagner, Frank Clay, Robert Stuart, Walter M. Brown, Christian Bond, W. C. Hines, W. H. Hines and Burke, William Walker, Joe E. Hard, L. B. McConfer, John W. Schneider, E. Claude, Dan Jolley, Sauer, Hy. House, Jr., C. Cook, E. Pralira.

**Suits Filed for the District Courts.**

Mrs. Eufelia Femeist vs. The Bering Manufacturing Company, damages.

John C. Penn vs. Texas Yellow Pine Lumber Company, injunction.

John Smith vs. Margarette Smith, divorce.

**Marriage Licenses.**

Jack Phillips to Miss Lulu Stone.

**Real Estate Transfers.**

John G. Tod to William R. Rembert, lot 10, block 54, in the town of Harrisburg, \$150.

Adolph C. Gaudin to J. S. Stegall, lots 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, 27, 29 and 31, block 16, lot 19, block 20, in the town of La Grange, \$75.

Mrs. M. J. Sterns to Mrs. M. J. Sterns, lot 3 out of lot 11, D. Gregg's south addition to the town of La Grange, \$354.

The La Porte Improvement Company to Emery Frost, lot 20, block 104, in the town of La Grange, \$500.

C. M. Hall to Charles C. Hines, an undivided one-half interest in the hardware of White Oak bayou, 1,440.

J. O. and E. B. Ross, executors, to Richard Rodgers, lot 12, block 25, in the town of Pasadena, \$375.

J. O. and E. B. Ross, executors, to W. J. Moore, an undivided one-half interest in and to lot 3, and the southwest one-half of lot 4, block 66, south side Buffalo bayou, Jack Shannon and wife to Edward Wright, 224 acres of land out of the David McFadden survey; other 1,000.

James Benham et al to James K. Freeman, lots 23 and 24, block 5, in the town of Pasadena, \$800.

J. J. Settegast to Della Williams, lots 7 and 8, block 14, Merkle's addition, \$300.

John S. Stegall to S. D. Stegall, lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12, block 82, Noble addition to the town of La Grange, \$198.

Frank E. Rothacker to J. J. Addison et al, lot 4, block 3, subdivision of ten acre lot 47, Hollman survey, consideration and \$100.

Mrs. Innes to Hy. Heltmann, lots 11 and 12, F. C. Hiltman's estate of the German Societer cemetery, \$35.

F. P. Long to E. J. Bundis, lots 11 and 12, F. C. Hiltman's estate, \$200.

W. T. Long to Ed Bundick, 5000 feet of lot 9, block 9, Chapman's third addition to the town of La Grange, \$44.

James T. D. Wilson to J. W. Bond and wife, north one-half of block 12, Royal subdivision of D. Gregg's survey; exchange of property and \$100.

**Boy Died of Lockjaw.**

Hillsboro, Texas, February 2.—The 12-year-old son of W. Arthur Craig, who was a badly hurt by a barrow, died with lockjaw last night. The barrow cut his left thigh and a wound developed.

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